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I'VE PERMA-NENTLY DISABLED A MAN.
I HAVE TO TURN MYSELF IN.
AND I BETRAYED SHINOBU, TOO.
DON'T DO IT.
NOT FOR HIM. WHAT'S THE VALUE IN THROW-ING AWAY YOUR FUTURE FOR THAT?
WHAT ARE YOU TALK-ING ABOUT?
BE-SIDES ...

I'D BE OKAY, BUT...
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER GIRLS... AND THE CLUB AND THE TALENT AGENCIES?
IF YOU TURN YOURSELF IN, THEY'RE SURE TO QUESTION YOU ABOUT EVERY SINGLE DETAIL.
THEN THE THINGS THAT GO ON IN THAT CLUB MIGHT END UP ON THE NEWS.
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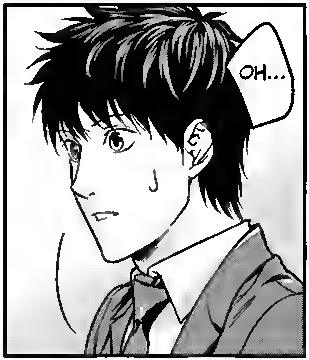
LET ME THINK ABOUT IT.
PLEASE, KUROKI-KUN...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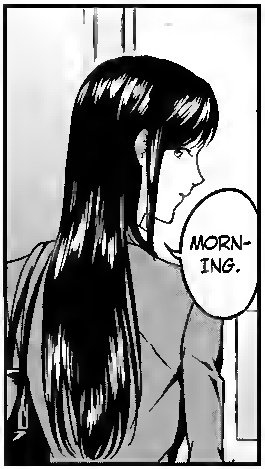
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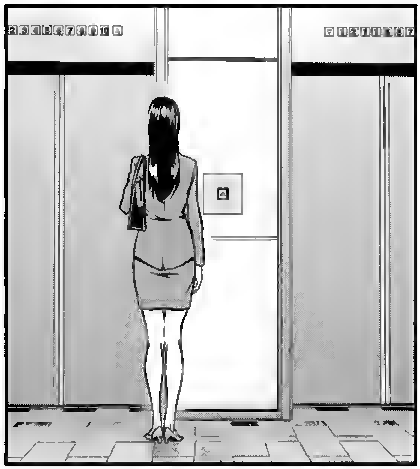
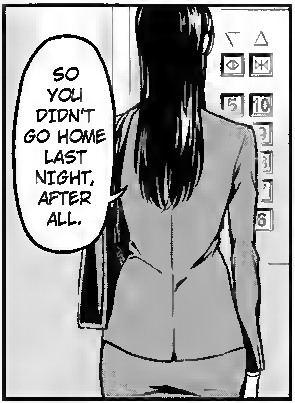
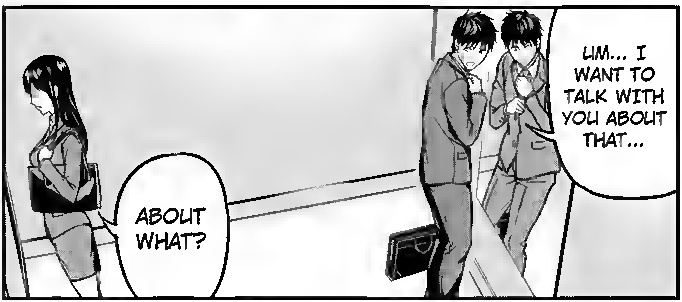
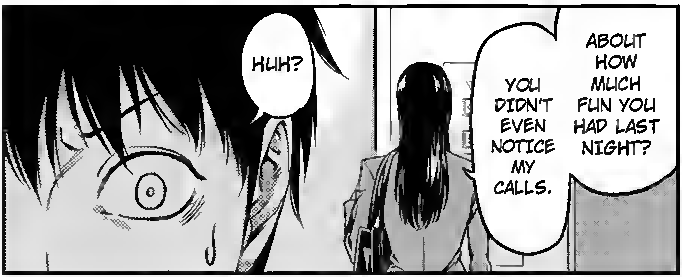


HEY... SO HOW'S WORK?
I LEFT EARLY YESTERDAY AND CAME LATE THIS MORN-ING
O-OH...
...
I'M SORRY ABOUT BEFORE.
I ONLY MEDDLED BECAUSE I WANT WHAT'S BEST FOR YOU, BUT I WON'T STOP YOU ANYMORE.
YOU SHOULD DO WHAT YOU WANT.
AND I'D LIKE TO TALK WITH YOU LATER--
YOUR TIE.


SO YOU DIDN'T GO HOME LAST NIGHT, AFTER ALL.

IT'S CROOK-ED.
AND THERE'S WRIN-KLES IN YOUR SUIT.
YOU SMELL LIKE ALCO-HOL.


UM... I WANT TO TALK WITH YOU ABOUT THAT...
ABOUT WHAT?


ABOUT HOW MUCH FUN YOU HAD LAST NIGHT?
YOU DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE MY CALLS.
HUH?

...
Shinobu
Shinobu Aoi
OH, AND ALSO...
SHI-NO--
WHIRR
I THINK I'M GOING TO BE REALLY BUSY FOR A WHILE, SO...
I'LL CALL YOU IF SOME-THING COMES UP.

DAMN IT!
SLAM
...

SOME-
ONE HIT
HIM FROM
BEHIND...
AND
NOW HE'S
BLIND
IN BOTH
EYES.

NGH!

HUH?
I GUESS THAT NEWBIE WHO JUST RAN BY SMELLING LIKE BOOZE WAS KUROKI COMING TO WORK AND MAKING A BEE-LINE FOR THE BATHROOM, EH?
AIN'T THAT NICE, KAGAWA? THAT CHIPPER BASTARD YOU HATE SO MUCH IS TURNING INTO A REAL MAN OF THE ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS.
...
UGH!
GUH...
THIS GUILT IS HARD TO STOMACH...